COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICY

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Purpose

To specify the manner in which amendments to the San Diego County General Plan shall be initiated pursuant to Government Code Section 65358.

Background

The County of San Diego has undertaken a comprehensive amendment to the General Plan known as "General Plan 2020." This amendment will balance economic development, responsible development and infrastructure with the region's need for affordable housing. In recognition of the role of the General Plan as a comprehensive, long-term plan for the preservation, development and enhancement of the County, amendments to the General Plan should only be undertaken when authorized by the Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission, or the Planning Director.

Policy

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that any amendment to the County General Plan must be initiated by the Planning Director, Planning Commission, or Board of Supervisors. Property owners or other interested persons may present private requests to initiate General Plan amendments; all such private requests must be filed initially with and reviewed by the Planning Director. The request shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees paid pursuant to Section 362 of the San Diego County Administrative Code. Upon receipt of an application for a privately requested General Plan Amendment, the Director of Planning and Land Use shall immediately notify and solicit comments from the appropriate community planning or sponsor group. The Director shall remand a decision within 45 days of the submittal of a request. If the Director determines not to initiate a privately requested amendment, the requestor may present the request for initiation first to the Planning Commission and then to the Board of Supervisors.

Sunset Date

This policy will be reviewed for continuance by 12-31-09

Board Action

9-14-76 (11)

5-22-79 (150)

6-9-82 (14)

3-12-86 (19)

12-3-86 (6)

8-10-88 (22)

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